



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
HAGÁTÑA, GUAM 96910
U.S.A.

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2003-29

**RELATIVE TO THE CREATION OF THE STATE INCENTIVE
PLANNING GRANT COUNCIL, TO BE KNOWN AS THE PREVENTION
AND EARLY INTERVENTION ADVISORY COUNCIL
EMPOWERMENT.**

WHEREAS, our community recognizes the need to improve the quality of life of our people, as reflected in a vision of good health, long life, and the assurance that the basic needs of our citizens will be met; and

WHEREAS, we share a vision that defines who we are as a people, and where we want to go, as well as a desire for good health and long life, and a health care system that meets the basic needs of our people, including a focus on prevention efforts to create a healthier Guam; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with these efforts, the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse submitted a competitive proposal on January 13, 2003, to the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP), Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) for a State Incentive Planning Grant (SIG); and

WHEREAS, through the implementation of the State Incentive Planning proposal, Guam will begin the necessary process for rebuilding a cohesive substance abuse prevention and early intervention system to better serve the specific needs of our unique community; and

WHEREAS, a strategic planning process will be utilized to address the rate of alcohol, tobacco and other drug use and addiction among Pacific Islanders and Asians on Guam, and, in particular, to identify substance abuse prevention needs of Guam's 12 to 25 year-olds and their families; and

WHEREAS, current statistics gathered on Guam indicate that teenagers are engaging in behaviors that place them at risk of developing serious health problems as a result of tobacco, alcohol and illicit drug use, as well as life-threatening behaviors such as suicide and violence against others; and

WHEREAS, a state-level Prevention and Early Intervention Advisory Committee Empowerment (PEACE) will be appointed to carry out the goals and objectives of the State Incentive Planning Grant proposal with the aim to significantly reduce the substance abuse rates on Guam; and

WHEREAS, upon development of Guam's 3-year Comprehensive Statewide Substance Abuse Prevention and Early Intervention Plan, the island's prevention system will have successfully developed the capacity and infrastructure necessary to compete for a full 3-year SIG award in Fiscal Year 2005; and

WHEREAS, the successful implementation of a one-year SIG Planning proposal and the potential to attain a full three-year SIG award will have a significant impact at a grassroots community level, ultimately resulting in sustainable levels of prevention and early intervention services that are relevant and appropriate for the diverse cultural groups on Guam.



NOW, THEREFORE, I, FELIX P. CAMACHO, *I Maga'Lahen Guåhan*, Governor of Guam, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Organic Act of Guam, as amended, do hereby order:

1. There is created the State Incentive Planning Grant council to be known as the Prevention and Early Intervention Advisory Committee Empowerment ("PEACE"), consisting of no more than 25 (twenty-five) members representing:
 - a) Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse
 - b) Department of Public Health and Social services
 - c) Guam Memorial Hospital
 - d) Department of Youth Affairs
 - e) Department of Education
 - f) Guam Head Start Program
 - g) Guam National Guard
 - h) Guam Police Department
 - i) 27th Guam Legislature
 - j) Superior Court of Guam, Juvenile Drug Court
 - k) U.S. Probation Office
 - l) Inafa' Maolek Mediation Center
 - m) Sanctuary, Inc.
 - n) Youth for Youth Organization
 - o) Catholic Social Services
 - p) Navy Family Service Center
 - q) Guam Chamber of Commerce
 - r) Guam Medical Society
 - s) At least one member representing the community at large
2. The council shall elect a chairperson from among its members and create subcommittees as necessary to meet the goals of the grant.
3. The Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse is the lead agency for administration of the SIG and the implementation of the proposal.

SIGNED AND PROMULGATED at Hagåtña, Guam, this 15th of October, 2003.

FELIX P. CAMACHO
I Maga'Lahen Guåhan
Governor of Guam

COUNTERSIGNED:

KALEO S. MOYLAN
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Lieutenant Governor of Guam

